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EDITORSPEAK

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The 'Rape of Humanity' that took place in Delhi in Dec. 2012 is still alive in our collective memory. However, nothing much has been changed since that time. This is primarily because of the inherent lethargy of administrative establishments and enforcement agencies. The principle of gender equality is enshrined in the Indian Constitution in its Preamble, Fundamental Rights, Fundamental Duties and Directive Principles through Articles 14, 15(i), 15(3), 16, 39(a), 39(d), 42, 46, 47, 51(A)(e) and 243 (D) & (T). Women's Rights of equality and non-discrimination are accepted as fundamental rights. However, all these seem to mere lip-service in the light of recent surge in Violence against Women. A survey of 109 judges in 1996 for their attitude in Violence against Women revealed these startling answers : 74% believed that preservation of the family is the primary duty of women, even if she faces violence; 68% believed that provocative clothes are invitations to violence; 55% believed that moral character of women attribute to sexual assault; 50% believed that child sexual abuse is not common; 48% believed that there are justifiable occasions for husbands to slap wives and 34% believed that dowry has an inherent cultural value. This is in spite of the fact that between 1980 and 1990, there is 74% increase in cases of Violence against Women. Today's women are often subjugated to inequality, unfreedom and powerlessness. And this conundrum continues.

This is high-time for the civil society to shed its inertia and enforce a change in attitude. Let Nirbhaya's death not go futile. Let's break this paradigm paralysis. Let's invent the future.

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MY STORY

Whatever I have achieved materially, major credit goes to Amitabh Bachchan. I saw 'Deewar' in late 80s. There he agrees to pay a more-than-market price for bungalow, saying "Aaj se bees saal pehle jab yeh makaan ban rahi thi, meri maa ne yahan par eente uthayee thi." This prompted me into thinking that attainment of comforts is the only way to happiness. Nobody cautioned me at that.

Years went by; struggling, achieving and worrying of losing. But now I am happy. Credit of my happiness again goes to media, to Apollo Tyres. Their recent TV advertisement says, "Na bhai! Kahan rukna hai pata hai." Another 'defining moment' of life.

Recently I've read about a man. He took birth in a family of carpenters, in a stable; and lived for about 41 years. His life of preaching lasted only few years. He was executed along with 2 thieves and a 3rd one, Barabbas was released in lieu of him. He was not exceptionally qualified. He never fought any battle, never conquered any kingdom, never invented any machine, or never discovered any new land. He did not travel much either. At the time of execution, he was deserted by most of his pupils. But today more than half of world views him as their 'king,' and celebrates his birthday on 25th December. A frail man from Nazareth is worshipped as the 'son of God.' Why? I wondered. And found the answer within our soul. It is only because of his love and sympathy towards the underprivileged and downtrodden, the majority of human mass. He willingly put an end to his life. And he lived forever thereafter.

Today, I pray for all that this 'king' washes off all our sins; removes all hatred, envy, intolerance or malevolence from our soul and puts an end to all crime, violence, and brutality that has prevailed upon the world today.

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